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REMARKS

SOURCE 25X1X

25X1C 1. On four days between 1 and 14 May 1951, no changes were observed regarding the 25X1C

25X1C occupation of the SS Kaserne, Dresden-Wilder Mann. Trucks occupied by officers, were identified in barracks traffic. The occupation of the installation did not change prior to 1 June. (1)

25X1C 2. On four days between 1 and 14 May, the southern section of the Koenig Georg Kaserne was apparently vacant, whereas intensive activity was observed in the northern section of the installation. Thirty soldiers with tank insignia were seen marching from there toward the city, and 20 soldiers received instruction on three tanks on 7 May. Seven van-like trucks were parked in the barracks yard. 25X1C Driving-school trucks which were occupied by 20 student drivers wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia, were identified on Hammerweg near the installation. The occupation of the Koenig Georg Kaserne had not changed prior to 1 June. Some vehicles with numbers of the 25X1C were also seen. (2)

3. Between 16 May and 1 June, vehicular traffic, but no training activities, was 25X1C observed in the Maschinengewehr Kaserne. Sedan and motor vehicle were identified. (3)

25X1C 4. The former 101st Grenadier Regt Kaserne seemed to house a headquarters and a guard detail of soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets and black-bordered black epaulets without branch-of-service insignia. Between 16 and 18 May, however, only 25X1C sentries wearing red-bordered black epaulets were observed. Sedan identified during this period. No change in the occupation of the installation occurred prior to 1 June. (4)

5. Between 16 and 18 May, the Adolf Hitler Kaserne appeared to quarter about 1,000 troops who wore black-bordered black epaulets without branch-of-service insignia, and who also served as sentries. On 18 May, 5 sedans and 4 trucks, including 25X1C were parked in the barracks yard. Trucks identified in traffic at the installation. Except to the appearance of a motor vehicle, no change was observed at the installation until 1 June. (5)

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25X1C 6. On 3 May, two units, each of 100 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets without branch-of-service insignia, left the SS Kaserne for combat drill. No heavy weapons were noticed. Several soldiers with truck [REDACTED] laid a heavy field wire near the installation. (1)

25X1C 7. On 21 May, one barracks building of the Nachrichten Kaserne, Dresden-Uebigau, was occupied by soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets and a second building by soldiers who wore black-bordered black epaulets. About 150 soldiers from the second barracks building were seen marching out for training. All other barracks buildings were believed to be vacant. Motor vehicle [REDACTED] was seen in barracks traffic. (6) 25X1C

25X1C 8. On 17 and 20 May, the Polizei Kaserne in Dresden-Mellerau was occupied by soldiers who wore red-bordered black epaulets with a branch-of-service insignia resembling a double cross. [REDACTED] that small groups of recruits carrying heavy baggage arrived by streetcar. They were met by NCOs and senior E1 and marched to the barracks installation. All personnel, including sentries and recruits, wore the same branch-of-service insignia. All the windows of one barracks building and 25 percent of the windows of another barracks building were lighted at nightfall. A third barracks building and the wooden RAD (Reich Labor Service) barracks were vacant. (7)

9. On 11 May, the Maschinengewehr Kaserne still seemed to quarter not more than 100 troops. Three groups of 18 soldiers each were seen practicing with hand grenades, eleven sedans and 7 new trucks with canvas tops were parked in the barracks yard. Trucks identified in barracks traffic between 7 and 29 May were numbered:

10. On 29 May, the former 101st Grenadier Regt Kaserne still seemed to quarter from 200 to 300 troops who wore red-bordered black epaulets and black-bordered black epaulets. (4)

C-3 11. On 7 May, 200 recruits wearing black-bordered black epaulets, who had apparently recently arrived, were seen assembling for roll call at the Adolf Hitler Kaserne. On 8 May, 40 to 60 soldiers with motor transport insignia on red-bordered black epaulets or on black-bordered black epaulets, were seen cleaning 10 motor vehicles in the barracks yard. (5)

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Comments.

(1) The information fails to give any new indications as to the occupation of the SS Kaserne, [REDACTED] 25X1A

(2) The information indicates that the 7th Gds IV Tank Regt of the 11th Gds Tank Div from the Koenig Georg Kaserne is still at Koenigsbruck. [REDACTED] 25X1A

(3) The unidentified artillery brigade of the 1st Gds Wehr Army which is believed to be stationed in the Maschinengewehr Kaserne is apparently still away for summer training. 25X1A

(4) The information indicates no change in the occupation of the 101st Grenadier Regt Kaserne, [REDACTED] for the first time in the Soviet Zone of Germany. [REDACTED] it may belong to the Southern Group of Forces, [REDACTED] 25X1A

25X1A (5) It is doubted that all troops in the Adolf Hitler Kaserne wore black-bordered black epaulets, as stated in paragraph 5, because [REDACTED] of paragraph 11, in 25X1C his periodic [REDACTED] on the installation, has always distinguished between troops wearing black-bordered black epaulets and others wearing red-bordered black epaulets. [REDACTED] 25X1A

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- (6) As most of the barracks buildings of the Nachrichten Kaserne, Dresden-Uehigau, are vacant, it is believed that the 134th Gds Engr Bn of the 11th Gds Tank Div has moved to Koenigsbrueck and the unidentified AAA unit of the 4th Gds AAA Div possibly to Mustrow. [REDACTED] 25X1A
- (7) With the exception of a hospital, no troop unit is known to be permanently stationed in the Polizei Kaserne, Hellerau. [REDACTED] indicates the possibility that a processing center of the army for outgoing discharges of the 1927 class and incoming recruits may have been temporarily established in the installation. 25X1C

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